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300,000 acres of land in the Province of Quebec will be drained in different sections during the Summer of 1914, announced by Hon. J. A. Robit, Minister of Agriculture, and these operations have been planned. A chemist sent out to agronomists. Advice that there must not be less than 10 nor more than 20 straws, while each farmer who obtains 50 per cent of the points allowed will be awarded 100

LOCAL LAWN BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP.

U. M. Omar's Easy Victory.

E. L. HOLLAND BEATEN.

U. M. Omar, a former champion, defeated E. L. Holland on the Police green by 21 shots to 13 in nineteen heads in the preliminary round of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship. Taking an early lead he maintained the advantage throughout. During the match Omar registered a 4 at the seventh head.

Probable Teams.

A complete Lawn Bowls League programme is down for decision to-morrow and below are appended probable teams:—

Civil Service C.C.

Civil Service senior team (home) v. Bowling Green Club: S. Randle, S. E. Alderman, A. H. Oswick and J. Gregory (Skip.).
P. Jones, H. Westlake, J. Deakin and J. Hollidge (Skip.).
Jas. T. Dobbie, A. O. Brown, L. E. Longbottom, and W. E. Hollands (Skip.).

Civil Service junior team (away) v. Craigenower:—P. Knight, R. R. Wood, L. Holland and H. E. Strange (Skip.).
N. Babbington, W. Bickford, J. Massey and F. H. W. Haynes (Skip.).
J. Willmott, C. Strange, L. Luck and R. R. Davies (Skip.).
Reserves: J. McGown and H. Lockhart.

Kowloon Bowling G.C.

K.B.G.C. senior team (away) v. Civil Service at 4 p.m.:—H. Nish, G. H. Sherriff, S. Eccleshall and W. Russell (Skip.).
J. Rodger, T. S. W. West, G. E. Roylance and D. F. Warren (Skip.).
R. S. Nichol, T. Fergusson, E. W. L. Hobglin and L. Guy (Skip.).
K.B.G.C. junior team (home) v. Yacht Club at 3.30 p.m.:—H. F. Stoneham, J. S. Logan, W. E. Hale and A. W. E. Davidson (Skip.).
G. E. F. Thompson, C. S. Beat, H. H. Rose, and W. S. Drake (Skip.).
F. V. Whitta, J. G. Meyer, F. L. Rapley, and V. Petherick (Skip.).

Electric R.C.

H.K. Electric R.C. team (away) v. Talkoo:—J. R. Way, H. S. McKay, D. S. Hill and A. Webster (Skip.).
R. C. Butler, F. Normington, S. Deacon, and W. H. B. Muskett (Skip.).

J. Sloan, C. E. Gahagan, G. T. Padgett and A. F. Paul (Skip.).
Reserves: G. Thomson and T. P. Saunderson.

Club de Recreio.

Recreio senior team (away) v. Kowloon Dock R.C. at 3.30 p.m.:—A. S. Gomes, R. R. Roberts, L. C. R. Souza, and R. F. Luz (Skip.).
Dr. R. A. C. Basto, C. A. Lopes, A. H. Basto, and C. G. Silva (Skip.).

E. L. Barros, C. H. Basto, C. E. Marques, and L. A. Gutierrez (Skip.).

Junior team (home) v. Kowloon C.C. at 3.30 p.m.:—H. A. Alves, A. E. S. Alves, A. V. Barros, and J. G. Ozorio (Skip.).
L. F. Xavier, J. M. M. Alves, J. J. Basto, and F. V. Ribeiro (Skip.).
E. M. Remedios, J. M. S. Rosario, A. Ribeiro, and F. X. M. Silva (Skip.).

Police Recreation Club.

The following have been selected to play against the C.C.C. at 3.30 p.m. to-morrow on P.R.C. ground:—West (Skip.), Reynolds, Clarke, and McHardy.
Orem (Skip.), Booker, Brittain, and Dall.
Mair (Skip.), Sheppard, Johnson, and Gooding.
Reserves: Kirby, Hunter, Murphy, Fraser, Johnston (V. G.), and Ellis.

FUTURE OF SHIPPING.

Motor-Ship on Influence of Psychological Factor.

TRADE HELD BACK.

Two months ago, when discussing the future of shipping and shipbuilding, we emphasized the influence of the psychological factor, and suggested that a vast amount of trade is being held back for no reason except for the fact that the time does not seem to be psychologically right. During the past month the same idea has been expressed by many prominent shipowners, and it is one of several signs of the general of a more optimistic outlook, states the Motor Ship.

Sir Percy Bates, chairman of the Cunard Co., remarked ironically that the world cannot be run on fear, and emphasized the mental "block" of the general of "international trade." Mr. A. C. F. Henderson, speaking at the meeting of the Anchor Line, urged that we should turn our attention to the better times coming, as this in itself would tend towards a re-creation of confidence; while a still more practical comment is that made at the combined meeting of the Hamburg Amerika Line and the North German Lloyd, when it was remarked that four vessels would be ordered "as a counter-measure against economic pessimism." When an important combination of this magnitude embarks upon such a policy, other owners must clearly consider their position. There are other hopeful signs! In some directions freights have stiffened during the past month, and both Sir Arthur M. Sutherland, chairman of the North German Lloyd, expressed the opinion that there were gleams of sunshine and that the lowest point in the crisis had been reached.

A year ago there were ships of 2,265,000 tons gross under construction, and to-day the figure is just under 2,000,000 tons, of which the United Kingdom is responsible for only one-third, against 50 per cent. in March, 1930. It is inevitable—and this point cannot possibly be disputed—that over a number of years the average tonnage of cargo and the number of passengers carried must tend to increase, and, at any rate, they cannot decrease. To accommodate them, an average number of ships must be built annually, and if they are not constructed during one period the work is merely held up. The cycles of world depression which are a feature of history lead to periods of lesser demand for transport, and shipowners naturally withhold placing their tonnage. But replaced it must be, and, for instance, in Great Britain statistics indicate that we should, on an average, always have 1,200,000 tons gross under construction. At the present moment the figure is rather less than half. Hence, when orders begin to be placed—there have been contracts for only 100,000 tons gross (excluding the Cunarder) instead of 600,000 tons in the past six months—we have not only to build the average figure but to make up for those which have not been ordered during depression.

Prosperity Inevitable.

A period of comparative prosperity in shipbuilding is therefore as inevitable in the future as anything in this world can be inevitable. This fact cannot be too strongly impressed upon the industry at large. Ships are necessities, and if they remain unorderd they must be built when more prosperous times come. The relatively few orders of the past six months have mainly been for fast express passenger liners of enormous size, which could be laid down only by subsidies, direct or indirect, as in the case of France, Italy, and the United States. In fact if we deduct these mammoth liners (which do not represent commercial shipping in the ordinary sense), there has been a tonnage of only 225,000 gross ordered throughout the world in the past six months, whereas a normal figure should be three times as large. This alone gives an idea of the immense amount of leeway which has to be made up, and the fact that 10 per cent. of the tonnage about to be made up, being over 25 years old, gives emphasis to this view.

And when the time comes for building new tonnage, as it will, perhaps more quickly than most people anticipate, it is unquestionably the motor-ship which will be most largely utilized. During the past year, of the ships launched 62 per cent. have been motor vessels, and 33 per cent. steamers. In the same period the tonnage of motor ships has increased 33 per cent., steamers 15 per cent., and sailing ships 1 per cent. These figures do not include the tonnage of the motor-ship, which is almost wholly motor-ship.

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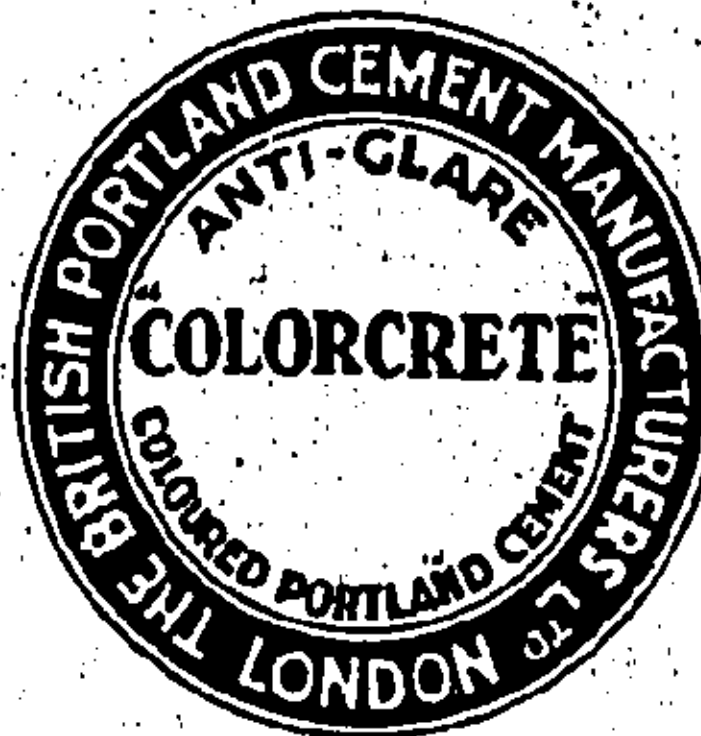
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APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

June 24, June, June,				June 24, June, June,			
1931. 1918. 1914.				1931. 1918. 1914.			
Butcher Meat.				Poultry.			
Beef Sirloin	牛尾	lb.	33 24 12	Chicken	雞	lb.	64 30 31
" Prime Cut	牛尾	"	30 23 11	Capons, Small	雞	"	62 28 30
" Corned	牛肉	"	28 23 11	Capons, Large	雞	"	68 28 30
" Roast	牛	"	33 24 22	Duck	鴨	"	45 22 21
" Breast	牛	"	30 20 18	Doves	鴿	each	45 22 21
" Soup	牛	"	27 20 18	Eggs, Hen (cooking)	雞蛋	per doz.	33 18 —
" Steak	牛	"	33 24 22	Eggs, Hen (fresh)	新鮮雞蛋	"	36 25 20
" Steak Sirloin	牛	"	46 30 35	Fowls, Canton	本地雞	lb.	80 36 24
" Sausages	牛	"	36 26 20	Fowls, Hainan	本地雞	"	62 35 24
Bullock's Brains	牛	per set	17 10 12	Geese	鴨	"	45 24 24
" Tongue, fresh	牛	each	75 50 60	Pigeons, Canton	鴿	each	40 30 28
" Tongue, corned	牛	"	60 — —	" Holow	鴿	"	30 28 —
" Head	牛	\$1.20	\$1.20	Turkeys, Cock	火雞	lb.	76 — —
" Heart	牛	lb.	24 18 14	Turkeys, Hen	火雞	"	62 61 45
" Hump, salt	牛	"	20 18 —	Snipe	沙	each	30 — —
" Feet	牛	each	12 10 12	Pheasant	山	pair	3.50 — —
" Kidneys	牛	"	15 10 12	Quail	雞	each	50 — —
" Tail	牛	"	27 20 22	Partridges	雞	"	— — —
" Liver	牛	lb.	24 18 14				
" Tripe	牛	"	8 6 7				
Calves' Head & Feet	牛	set	\$1.50 \$1.00 \$1.00				
Mutton Chop	羊	lb.	44 28 —				
" Leg	羊	"	44 28 —				
" Shoulder	羊	"	40 24 —				
" Saddle	羊	"	44 — —				
Pig's Chittlings	豬	"	30 27 —				
" Brains	豬	Per set	3 — —				
" Feet	豬	lb.	16 15 —				
" Fry	豬	"	28 15 18				
" Head	豬	"	18 20 —				
" Heart	豬	each	15 10 10				
" Kidneys	豬	"	15 10 8				
" Liver	豬	lb.	48 30 24				
Pork Chop	豬	"	36 25 23				
" Leg	豬	"	38 — —				
" Loin	豬	"	44 60 70				
" Fat or Lard	豬	"	26 21 —				
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊	per set	90 60 70				
" Heart	羊	each	12 8 7				
" Kidneys	羊	"	15 12 10				
" Liver	羊	"	45 26 22				
Sucking Pigs, to order	牛	lb.	25 25 22				
Suet, Beef	牛	"	30 20 18				
" Mutton	牛	"	36 26 22				
" Veal	牛	"	22 20 20				
" Sausages	牛	"	28 — —				
" No. 1	牛	"	32 — —				
Fish.				Fruits.			
Barbel	魚	lb.	50 18 24	Almonds	杏仁	lb.	85 85 —
Bream	魚	"	33 20 16	Apples (California)	金山蘋果	"	40 26 —
Canton Fresh Water	魚	"	33 — —	Bananas (bride's)	蕉山香蕉	"	12 4 —
Carp	魚	"	33 18 16	Carambola	楊桃	"	12 — —
Codfish	魚	"	40 16 27	Coconuts	椰子	each	14 10 10
Codfish	魚	"	38 12 9	Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	24 25 30
Crabs	蟹	"	46 16 17	Lemons (American)	金山檸檬	each	13 8 —
Cuttle Fish	蟹	"	26 23 26	Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	90 25 30
Dab	蟹	"	26 16 27	Oranges (Canton)	新會甜橙	"	— — 15
Dace	蟹	"	46 23 16	Oranges	橙	"	— — 15
Dog Fish	蟹	"	22 10 8	Pears (Canton)	沙梨	"	50 — —
Eels, Conger	蟹	"	44 10 8	Peanuts	花生	"	14 10 12
" Fresh Water	蟹	"	42 10 8	Perlimmons, Large	紅柿	"	12 — —
" Yellow	蟹	"	78 26 26	Plantain	大蕉	"	4 8 —
Frogs	蟹	"	84 32 25	Pineapple, Siam	鳳梨	each	38 12 6
Garoupa	蟹	"	30 40 30	Walnuts	胡桃	lb.	40 — 16
Gudgeon	蟹	"	30 22 18	Grapes	菩提子	"	90 — —
Herrings	蟹	"	35 18 13				
Halibut	蟹	"	40 18 15				
Labrus	蟹	"	74 32 13				
Loach	蟹	"	62 62 24				
Lobsters	蟹	"	40 32 21				
Mackerel	蟹	"	42 20 20				
Monk Fish	蟹	"	42 18 3				
Mullet	蟹	"	35 12 3				
Oysters	蟹	"	80 14 8				
Parrot Fish	蟹	"	28 30 15				
Perch	蟹	"	45 16 0				
Pike	蟹	"	45 30 23				
Plaice	蟹	"	50 30 30				
Pomfret, White	蟹	"	38 38 48				
Pomfret, Black	蟹	"	72 10 14				
Pravus	蟹	"	27 10 14				
Ray	蟹	"	28 14 14				
Rock Fish	蟹	"	50 22 10				
Roach	蟹	"	50 22 10				
Salmon	蟹	"	50 22 10				
Shark	蟹	"	22 10 10				
Skate	蟹	"	22 10 10				
Sturgeon	蟹	"	22 10 10				
Trout	蟹	"	22 10 10				
Yellow Perch	蟹	"	22 10 10				
Vegetables, &c.				Vegetables, &c.			
Artichokes	鴨芝	each	12 — 2	Artichokes	鴨芝	each	12 — 2
Beans, Sprout	豆	lb.	7 — 7	Beans, Sprout	豆	lb.	7 — 7
" Long	豆	"	12 — 8	" Long	豆	"	12 — 8
Beet Root	紅	"	10 — —	Beet Root	紅	"	10 — —
Bitter Squash	青	"	8 24 —	Bitter Squash	青	"	8 24 —
Brijals, Green	青	"	6 5 8	Brijals, Green	青	"	6 5 8
" Red	紅	"	6 5 8	" Red	紅	"	6 5 8
Cabbage, Chinese	芥菜	"	10 — —	Cabbage, Chinese	芥菜	"	10 — —
" (Shanghai)	菜	"	18 12 —	" (Shanghai)	菜	"	18 12 —
Cane Shoots, bunch	菜	"	8 — —	Cane Shoots, bunch	菜	"	8 — —
Cauliflower (Large)	大椰菜花	each	— — —	Cauliflower (Large)	大椰菜花	each	— — —
" (Medium)	中椰菜花	"	— — —	" (Medium)	中椰菜花	"	— — —
" (Small)	小椰菜花	"	— 6 6	" (Small)	小椰菜花	"	— 6 6
Carrots	金	lb.	7 5 6	Carrots	金	lb.	7 5 6
Celery, Chinese	菜	"	16 10 8	Celery, Chinese	菜	"	16 10 8
Chillies, Dried	辣椒干	"	16 25 5	Chillies, Dried	辣椒干	"	16 25 5
" Red	紅	"	12 10 10	" Red	紅	"	12 10 10
" Green	青	"	8 8 12	" Green	青	"	8 8 12
Curry Stuff, English	菜	"	10 8 12	Curry Stuff, English	菜	"	10 8 12
Cucumbers	瓜	"	8 2 —	Cucumbers	瓜	"	8 2 —
Garlic	蒜	"	10 6 6	Garlic	蒜	"	10 6 6
Ginger, Young	姜	"	10 7 —	Ginger, Young	姜	"	10 7 —
" Old	姜	"	8 20 —	" Old	姜	"	8 20 —
Horseradish, Shanghai	菜	"	35 3 4	Horseradish, Shanghai	菜	"	35 3 4
Indian Corn	菜	"	8 45 —	Indian Corn	菜	"	8 45 —
Leeks	菜	"	6 1 —	Leeks	菜	"	6 1 —
Water Chestnuts	菜	"	12 — 3	Water Chestnuts	菜	"	12 — 3
" Manchian	菜	"	12 — 3	" Manchian	菜	"	12 — 3
Mushrooms, Fresh	菜	"	45 — 8	Mushrooms, Fresh	菜	"	45 — 8
Okra	菜	"	1 — 10	Okra	菜	"	1 — 10
Onions, Bombay	菜	"	10 8 8	Onions, Bombay	菜	"	10 8 8
" Green	菜	"	10 4 6	" Green	菜	"	10 4 6
" Shanghai	菜	"	8 6 —	" Shanghai	菜	"	8 6 —
Parley	菜	"	10 60 8	Parley	菜	"	10 60 8
Potato, Sweet	菜	"	10 7 —	Potato, Sweet	菜	"	10 7 —
" Japanese	菜	"	10 7 —	" Japanese	菜	"	10 7 —
" American	菜	"	10 7 —	" American	菜	"	10 7 —
Pumpkin	菜	"	10 7 —	Pumpkin	菜	"	10 7 —
Radishes	菜	"	10 7 —	Radishes	菜	"	10 7 —
Spinach (Fresh)	菜	"	10 7 —	Spinach (Fresh)	菜	"	10 7 —
Spinach (Dried)	菜	"	10 7 —	Spinach (Dried)	菜	"	10 7 —
Tomatoes	菜	"	10 7 —	Tomatoes	菜	"	10 7 —
Turnips	菜	"	10 7 —	Turnips	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Long)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Long)	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Short)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Short)	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Round)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Round)	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Flat)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Flat)	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Square)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Square)	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Triangle)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Triangle)	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Star)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Star)	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Heart)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Heart)	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Diamond)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Diamond)	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Oval)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Oval)	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Round)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Round)	菜	"	10 7 —
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Yam, Chinese (Star)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Star)	菜	"	10 7 —
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Yam, Chinese (Round)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Round)	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Flat)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Flat)	菜	"	10 7 —
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Yam, Chinese (Diamond)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Diamond)	菜	"	10 7 —
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Yam, Chinese (Square)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Square)	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Triangle)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Triangle)	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Star)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Star)	菜	"	10 7 —
Yam, Chinese (Heart)	菜	"	10 7 —	Yam, Chinese (Heart)	菜	"	10 7 —
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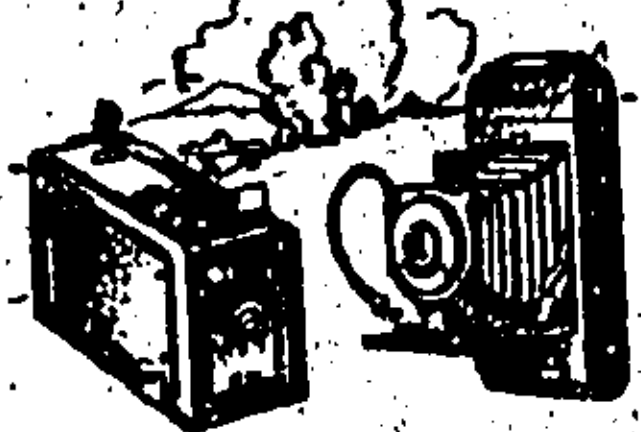
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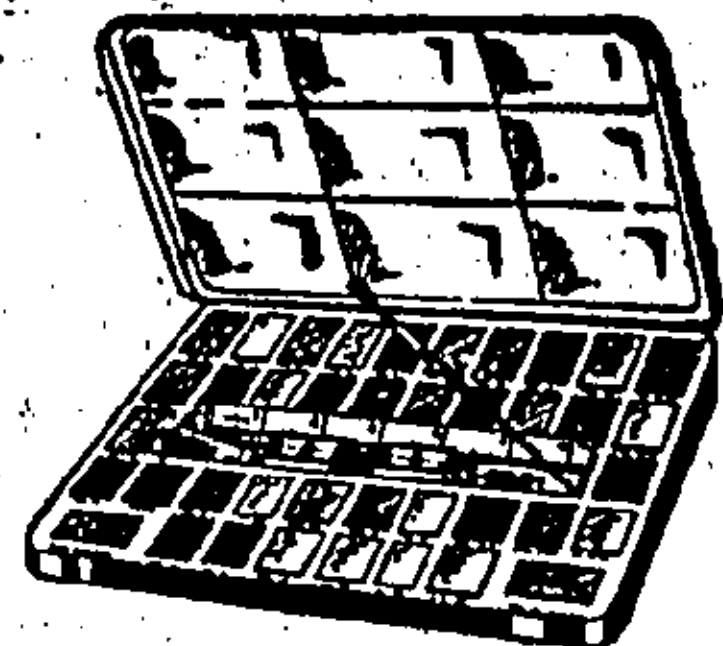
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A Neglected Market.

The British Economic Mission to the Far East, which recently returned to Great Britain after an absence of six months, came, in effect, to enquire into the present conditions of British trade in China and Japan, and to report upon what action should be taken to develop and increase it. Each of these countries presents features not to be found to anything like the same extent elsewhere. China possesses nearly a quarter of the population of the world and the population of Japan is nearly double that of Britain. So far as concerns Japan, it must now be regarded as a manufacturing country with a marked protective policy. In the engineering trade it has, indeed, to import a certain proportion of its requirements, although it is not certain whether this will not tend to decrease, and the most probable event is that there may be a market in specialities of high quality, in which Britain may share if it takes appropriate measures. With this important exception the prospect of any substantial increase in the British engineering trade with Japan seems remote.

China, on the other hand, is in a wholly different position. Covering an area of over 4,000,000 square miles and with a population of close upon 500,000,000, it has a railway system of well under 10,000 miles and its foreign trade is in a state of rapid development. Its population are in a state of rapid increase and its resources are in a state of rapid development. It is obvious that the country presents a very big market for British goods and that

whenever that proceeds, as the great forces of Chinese opinion seem determined that ultimately it shall proceed, a vast new market will be available for foreign manufacturers. This market is of special importance to manufacturing engineers, because their products will be amongst those most urgently wanted. With the end of the civil war and the stabilisation of the currency there will be an immediate demand for an improvement of roads and railways, on which, indeed, a small beginning has already been made. With this improvement will come increased use of agricultural machinery and irrigation plant, and the agricultural and mineral wealth of the country will require for its development a rapid increase of electric power. With the increase of wealth arising from these operations, the money available for spending will increase proportionately, and whereas most of the Chinese market is concerned with low-priced goods only, and these distributed over very limited areas, the increased organisation of work will distribute products of all kinds more widely, and stimulate the demand for work of higher quality, which there appears to be a disposition in the Chinese to appreciate when they have the money to afford it.

All authorities appear thus to concur in the belief that the prospects of development in no remote future will be beyond all precedent in commercial history. Already the imports of engineering manufactures have increased when other imports have declined, and although the improvement in British imports has been markedly less than that of some other countries, they remain at a substantial figure and are backed by a well-established reputation. At no epoch, in fact, in the commercial history of Britain could its market be better worth cultivating than at the present time, and the circumstantial report which the Mission has published has given many suggestions which deserve to be studied carefully. The task is the more attractive because in several respects the account given of the market does not confirm the apprehension that it will be decided solely by price. In small plant and materials for small buyers this may indeed have a paramount effect, and all the more so because of foreign competition and local manufactures. To cultivate this important branch of imports it will be necessary, as the report advises, to undertake mass production after a close study of the require-

ments of the market. In large contracts and large work, on the other hand, credit is a more important factor even than price, and the co-operation of financial interests is indispensable to offset in particular the competition of the United States, who are in that way building up a strong position. At present, too, the United States devote large sums of money to promote the education of young Chinese in American universities and works, and by these and allied methods are bringing up a constant succession of American-trained Chinese, who will be the technical leaders of the next generation. Such and similar measures, including technical representation and intelligent advertisement, are recommended in the common interests of British engineering trade, and even then will leave British manufacturers no further forward than their American competitors. Perhaps the most fundamental recommendation of all is that by measures such as the grouping of exporters, means should be adopted to prevent inter-British competition and strengthen British representation.

News in Brief.

The s.s. President Cleveland will sail for Manila at 6 p.m. to-morrow.

Col. R. B. Skinner, C.B.E., Chief Engineer, Military Forces, returned to the Colony by the s.s. Kashgar.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 80 degrees. The humidity was 84 at 10 a.m. and 71 at 4 p.m.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Charles Trotter, mariner, residing at 282, Wanchai Road, to Trinidad Morales.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Peetham, C.M.G., who has been on an official mission to Shanghai, arrived here by the Kashgar on his way back to South Africa.

Taking an overdose of opium at her residence, 315, Portland Street, Lee Sze (20), a married woman, subsequently succumbed and was removed to the Mortuary.

The Hon. John Scott, Colonial Secretary, Straits Settlements, and Mrs. Scott, who have been enjoying a brief holiday here, left today by the s.s. Empress of Russia for Canada en route to Britain.

Starting to-day repairs to the submarine cable between Victoria and Kowloon will be carried out daily until further notice, and mariners are warned accordingly. The regulation signals will be exhibited by the vessel employed.

Mr. W. Bouchier, bailiff, Supreme Court, had an unfortunate experience last night at Castle Peak, where he had gone with Mr. R. Maynard, also of the Supreme Court, for a swim. Half an hour later the car was noticed to be on fire. All efforts to put out the flames were in vain, and the car, a Chevrolet, was completely wrecked. It is understood that it was insured.

As the result of a raid at No. 341, Reclamation Street, yesterday, Revenue Officer Humphries charged Pang Luk in the Kowloon Police Court this morning, with having unlawful possession of a quantity of false opium labels, and seven maces of prepared opium. A fine of \$150 was imposed on the first charge or three months' imprisonment. The second charge was dismissed.

The Staunton Street fire enquiry which is being conducted by Mr. Schofield (as Coroner) assisted by a jury, comprising Mr. H. R. Hancock (foreman) Mr. R. E. H. Oliver and Mr. Li Kam-fat, entered its concluding stages in the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon. The enquiry was adjourned until Thursday afternoon when Mr. H. J. Armstrong will address the Court, and the Coroner will review the evidence before asking the jury to return a verdict.

A successful whistle drive was held in the Police Recreation Club last night on behalf of the funds of the Police branch of the Ministering Children's League. The thanks of the committee are due to Mrs. Pardo, Mrs. A. H. Clark, Mrs. Bloor, Mrs. Stone, Messrs. Raiton, & Son, and the Wing On Company for kindly donating prizes. Ladies' prizes were won by Messdames A. J. C. Taylor, Higgs, Woods, and Field. The men's prizes were won by Messrs. Hally, Harrison, Lowe, and Palmer.

Joe E. Brown and Bella Bennett in "Molly and Me," a talkie film, will be screened in the Majestic Theatre to-day and to-morrow. Brown will be remembered for his element of comedy in "The Lottery Bride" which was shown here recently.

Sitting at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday with a jury of three, Mr. E. W. Hamilton held an inquiry into the death of a Chinese, Wong Yuk-ping, who was knocked down and killed by a motor car driven by Mr. Donald Forbes near Mongkok Police Station on June 7. In returning a verdict of "Accidental Death" the jury added that they considered Mr. Forbes had committed an error of judgment.

COLONY'S FINANCES

In A Satisfactory Position.

EFFECT OF EXCHANGE.

The Government was satisfied that the Colony's financial position was sound, said the Colonial Secretary, in moving the first reading of a Bill to authorise the appropriation of \$2,486,577.02, supplementary vote for the year 1930, at the Legislative Council meeting yesterday.

The increase was explained as being mainly due to the fall in the rate of exchange and the adoption of the Salaries Commission Report.

Position Described.

The Colonial Secretary said:—By Your Excellency's command I rise to move the first reading of a bill to authorise the appropriation of a supplementary sum of \$2,486,577.02 to defray the charges of the year 1930. The details of all items making up this sum have already been fully explained to Honourable Members from time to time and during the course of 1930 received the approval of the Finance Committee and of this Council in the usual way.

The Detailed Statement of Expenditure and the Treasurer's Report on the Finances for 1930, copies of which have to-day been furnished to each member, give the reasons for the excesses. At first sight this sum of \$2,486,577.02 appears to be a large one as it represents the net supplementary appropriation required over each of the heads exceeded, no account being allowed of savings on other heads. The actual increase in the year's expenditure over the sum voted amounted, however, to only \$95,131. If the actual expenditure of the year be compared with revenue, the deficit is \$301,173 only, thus reducing the excess of assets over liabilities from \$9,662,852 on January 1, 1930, to \$9,361,679 on December 31, 1930; in other words a deficit of \$301,173 on the year's working.

Why Figures Are Up.

2.—Full details of how these figures are arrived at are given in the Treasurer's Report. I would, however, mention some of the reasons in a general way. First there is the fall in exchange; the open rate on January 2, 1930, was 1/7 9/16 and the closing rate on December 31 was 1/13/8, the average rate throughout the year being 1/43/9. This was the principal factor in all business dealings during 1930 and accounts for considerably more than the excess over the original estimates which were based on an exchange of 1/10/0. Secondly, there was the adoption of the Salaries Commission Report which I estimate cost, apart from the fall in exchange, approximately \$1,000,000 for dollar and sterling salaries combined. Thirdly, a special grant of \$300,000 to the University and contributions of \$300,000 towards the construction of a vertical sea-wall at North Point and \$105,000 towards the Kowloon Tong Building Scheme.

3.—A glance at the table of revenue for the year will show how well this was maintained. It is true that tobacco duties and postal rates were increased during the year and a new duty of 15 cents per gallon was levied on motor spirit, but the extra revenue derived from these sources did not account for more than \$350,000. Revenue from direct taxation amounted to \$18,498,580 of which the Assessment Tax contributed \$4,208,277.

Expenditure Reduced.

4.—In view of the heavy fall in exchange the Government took steps to reduce expenditure wherever possible and naturally turned first to Public Works Extraordinary, the Kowloon-Canton Railway extraordinary expenditure, and Public Works Recurrent. The under-expenditure on these three heads amounted to \$1,622,257. Perhaps the brightest picture, however, is shown in the Government's efforts under "Other Charges" items where a total saving of \$379,792 was made on the innumerable sub-heads, practically throughout the whole of the estimates, as is shown in the detailed statement of expenditure attached to the Bill. It will be seen that the Colony finished the year 1930 in a much more satisfactory position than was anticipated when the Estimates for 1930 were intro-

duced in October last. In the Treasurer's memorandum which was laid on the table with the Estimates for 1931 the revised estimate of revenue was \$24,066,000 whereas the actual revenue was \$27,818,473. The revised estimate of expenditure was \$28,303,500 and the actual expenditure was \$28,119,646. The estimated deficit on the year's working was \$4,237,500 and the actual deficit \$301,173. The estimated balance of assets over liabilities was \$5,425,351 while the actual balance has proved to be \$9,361,679.

It may perhaps be thought that the Government was unduly pessimistic in October last. But the position at that time was far from clear and in dealing with public funds it is the duty of the Government to avoid undue optimism lest the Colony be lulled into a false sense of financial security. Had the picture been painted in less sombre colours it is possible that the result would have been less good. As it was, the seriousness of the position was fully brought home to everyone concerned and the strenuous efforts to collect the full revenue and to save where economies were possible have contributed to achieve a better result than any one at that time thought possible. An unbalanced budget is a very serious matter even when the deficit is as small as it was ultimately found to be in 1930 and cannot but cause grave concern to any responsible Government.

Position of Affairs.

6.—The Government is, however, satisfied that the Colony's financial position is sound. The revenue is showing a satisfactory expansion and at the end of this half year, that is two days ago, the total revenue amounted to approximately \$15,700,000 which is \$1,955,000 more than one half of the total estimate for 1931.

I now formally move the first reading of the Bill intimated An Ordinance to authorise the appropriation of a supplementary sum of \$2,486,577.02 to defray the charges for the year 1930.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Other Readings.

An amending Ordinance raising the fine for begging from \$5 to \$25 was read for the first time. Other first readings were those affecting the Rating Ordinance, the Criminal Procedure Ordinance, and the Health and Building Ordinance. An Ordinance providing for the incorporation of the Hop Yat Tong Church of Christ in Hong Kong, was introduced by the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, and read a first time. The Ordinance amending laws relating to registration of Births and Deaths was read a second time, to come into effect on January 1, 1932.

At a subsequent meeting of the Finance Committee votes totalling \$135,007 were approved.

JUNE RAINFALL.

Over 12 Inches at Botanic Gardens.

The record of rainfall during June at the Botanic Gardens was as under:

June 1	24
" 2	02
" 3	76
" 4	56
" 5	38
" 6	1.04
" 7	18
" 8	51
" 9	35
" 10	02
" 11	36
" 12	41
" 13	01
" 14	02
" 15	1.75
" 16	1.81
" 17	56
" 18	2.98
" 19	11
Total	12.14

PARIS TO JAPAN.

Prizes Offered to French Aces.

Tokyo, Yesterday. The newspaper Nichi-Nichi has offered a prize of 220,000 francs to the French airmen Le Brix and Doret if they succeed in their contemplated non-stop flight from Paris to Japan. Reuter.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of July 3, 1921.]
To-day's dollar is worth 2/7 1/2. Notices are out for the inaugural meeting of the Hong Kong Book Club on Wednesday evening at 5.15 in the Sanitary Department Board Room, by kind permission. Since the notice was circulated, the initial membership has risen to twenty, and there are still others coming in.

YANGTSZE TRADE CRIPPLED

Little Cargo Reaching Hankow.

TROOP MOVEMENTS.

Hankow, June 19.

Just when, after almost six months of comparative peace, it looked as if business along the Kiangnan Railway were looking up, the wholesale commandeering of railway stock for troop movements to the South has inflicted a blow on trade from which it will take months to recover.

It is still possible to get cargo down the line, by paying for the hire of a railway car from the militarist who is holding it for the moment. But the uncertainty as to how long the cargo will take on its journey to Hankow, and also whether or not the truck will be stopped en route and taken over by another general, not in the original bargain discourages many ventures of this description.

Business, it may be said, is at a standstill, since much of the trade done along this line is in material which is perishable or deteriorates rapidly, and it is not worth the trader's while to take the chance of losing part or all of his shipment.

From the point of view of Honan, where a vigorous provincial Government appears to have set about the task of restoring order, this condition is particularly disappointing. For many years the province has been so ravaged by bandits and deserted troops that trade to any extent at all has only been carried on precariously for all concerned. Any sign of a resolute determination to suppress the bandit pest would have received the enthusiastic support of the native merchant classes. For long now these classes have carried on business against obstacles which in any country other than China would have been regarded as insuperable. Only the native trader's extraordinary powers of recovery from pillage and looting have made any sort of business at all possible. And it is thus doubly hard on him that, at a time when he may be able to get a little of his own back, trouble should have broken out in Canton and that troops should have been withdrawn from his protection to meet the Communist menace.

There is no doubt but that the Government's success in the last war against Marshal Feng Yuxiang and General Yen Hsi-shan restored the people's waning confidence. Up to that victory the province had largely been in the "grey" zone. Part of it still is in the "grey" zone, but the greater area has been under the more ordered rule of generals appointed by Nanking. These generals have in the main proved their capabilities by definitely curbing the bandits, extending road-building, and keeping their soldiers under control. The population has been given a breathing space of which it has taken advantage. Confidence in a regime which has brought about this very welcome condition has rapidly grown. And while it would be idle to pretend that there are not abuses or examples of ill rule, there is nevertheless a general feeling of optimism, a belief that the dawn of better days has come.

Self-Defence Organised.

Due credit must be given to the Government for this state of affairs. The large part played by the merchant himself must not, however, be overlooked. Taught by years of bitter experience, towns in the province have learnt to organise their own defences. Each large centre has its own merchant volunteer corps and its own council of defence. The cities are still walled with mighty ramparts built hundreds of years ago. The defences are adequate against bandits unaided by artillery. The cities are impregnable to everything but treachery, and the inhabitants have taken steps to see that treachery cannot nullify their other precautions.

Many towns have during the last few years been sacked by bandits through the gates being seized and opened by collusion of the bandits inside the walls. The merchant volunteers, maintaining the walls have often been caught in the rear and butchered. Hence the strictest precautions have been taken to prevent strangers from staying in their midst. In some cities it is only soldiers and a strange Chinese to

remain inside the walls for a night by getting five sheep guarantees; that is to say, by being sponsored by five merchants whose good name is well known in the district. If he is unable to get these guarantees or, in some cases, to prove his bona fides in another fashion satisfactory to the city defence council, the Chinese is politely escorted to the city gate at sundown and told that he must find his night's lodging elsewhere. In no circumstances is he allowed to remain.

For Hearth and Home.

The merchant volunteers themselves are in most parts a worthy body of men. They have replaced the cut-throat hirelings of a few years ago, who often found it more to their advantage to side with the bandits than do their duty in defending the town against their attacks. They are well equipped with rifles and ammunition; often better equipped than the bandits. And they have also the assistance of a rabble of the poorer inhabitants who can come to their aid in moments of stress armed with spears and scythes—a formidable band of pikemen when they are defending their homes and womenfolk. In the circumstances, then, the towns often prefer to be left to their own devices by the military. Government garrisons are not discouraged, but in a city well organised within itself, they are not asked for.

It is different, however, with the country districts, where towns are scattered and walled villages are few. These have no defences against the bandits save a well-developed intelligence service. Upon news that bandits are approaching, all who can do so flock into the nearest walled city, with families, cattle and implements. There they shelter until the bandits have moved on, taking a share in the defence of the city if need be. When the district is safe again, they return to their homes, often to find them burnt and looted—the few things they have been unable to take away either stolen or wantonly destroyed. The only salvation for this class is the military, and until an ordered campaign has cleaned up the robbers there seem little chance of their benefiting from the improved situation.

Communications Hampered.

The merchants also suffered from the roving bands through the dislocation of means of communication between cities, when bands are about. Thus they have welcomed the garrisoning of cities at intervals along roads likely to be raided by the bandits. The presence of these troops, who are of a better and more disciplined class than those of the days of the "grey" zone, is often enough to frighten the bandits off the main highways.

From conversations with several foreigners who have been living in the interior of the province and are now on their way to various holiday resorts for the hot weather, it has been gathered that there is still a feeling that war is not far off. There is an impression that, though Shih Yu-san may be loyal to Nanking for the moment, his support is conditional. It is freely reported that he has already received a very large sum of money from the Government, and this may be enough to keep him quiet while General Chiang Kai-shek is busy with the Communists in Kiangsi.

There is talk, however, of a secret conference held at Kianchow in south-western Shanxi which was attended by most of the generals who once served with Marshal Feng and General Yen Hsi-shan. This is a different conference from that held between ex-Kuomintang commanders and the delegates from Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, in the same province, at which the problem of money was the main subject of discussion. It is even reported that Marshal Feng himself was at Kianchow, though of course confirmation of this is impossible. At all events, considerable mystery surrounds these negotiations, and it is believed that they may eventually have an important bearing on the political and military situation.

PICTURES SOLD TO PAY THE RATES.

Louis Wain's Appeal from Asylum.

TRAGEDY OF A GENIUS.

"We have had to sell some of our pictures to pay the rates. The outlook is almost hopeless. I am afraid that the old home that Louis loved so much will have to go—but he must not know."

This pathetic admission was made to me by Miss Claire Wain, one of the greatest living black-and-white artists—the genius who made the world laugh and cry with his immortal lightning sketches of cats—who is now a hopeless patient in a London County Council mental home, writes a Daily Express Special Representative.

Louis' one cry, whenever his sisters visit him, is: "Save the old home." He thinks he may even yet be able to come out fit and well, but they know that he never will.

He has lost everything—the fortune he made out of drawing cats, the many friends he stood by and helped in their hard-up days—everything but his priceless gift of sketch and paint.

Louis Wain's greatest solace in his asylum captivity is to draw. Even now, at seventy years of age, he is still painting pictures of cats, yes, pictures which make his attendants roar with merriment, and would still make his name famous, if he were a young and unknown artist.

A New Talent.

People who have seen these asylum sketches, and knew his art when he was at the height of his fame and a quarter of a century ago, say that his real genius is only now showing itself.

Louis, in his old age and mental disorder, has revealed a talent for painting pictures of nature studies—charming scenes which photographed their beauty on his brain before it gave way under the stress of misfortune after misfortune. These masterpieces are produced out of the crudest materials—the cheapest of paints, the commonest of drawing paper. He draws on points on everything on which he can produce a picture. Sometimes it is on the lid of a cardboard box, sometimes it is a piece of ordinary notepaper or the back of a handbill—and he creates a picture of great beauty.

It is six years since Louis Wain went into a mental home, and in these brief years his name and fame are almost forgotten. No one seems to remember him now, except a very few faithful friends, and his three devoted sisters—one a hopeless invalid—who are struggling against odds to keep his home intact.

Sacred Trust.

Every fortnight two of his sisters go to see their brother in the home, and every time the old artist sees them he asks about his house, and pleads with them not to let it go.

These women regard it as a sacred trust to keep Louis' old home intact during his lifetime, although they know quite well that he will never live in it again. I spent an afternoon in Louis' house in Bronesbury, and heard from one of his sisters, Miss Claire Wain—a clever artist herself—the tragic story of the famous artist's decline.

We sat in a room in which there were three hundred cats—bronze cats, silver cats, china cats, wooden cats, cats of the past and cats of the future.

Louis stood to make a new fortune of futurist cats just before the war broke out, but the ship carrying his models to England for them to be put on the market, was torpedoed by the Germans.

He loved cats, and his worshippers delighted to send him cats from all parts of the world.

I was shown a cat which came to Louis from the tomb of Ramses the Second, and another cat, which Louis had longed for years to possess, came from the interior of India.

The man who sent it to him spent two years in his search for it.

Clever Kitten.

Louis Wain was only nineteen when he started drawing cats. His sisters gave him a black-and-white kitten called Peter. Louis started to train the kitten, and soon he had the animal so docile that, at his command, the cat would pick up a piece of newspaper, kneel down, and join its paws together as if in prayer, and do a hundred other little tricks.

FIGHTER PLANES.

Five "Faireys" for Belgium.

GREAT PERFORMANCES.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The first five of a large number of Fairey Firefly fighter aeroplanes will be delivered next week to representatives of the Belgian Government, for whose Air Force they have been ordered.

They are capable of astonishing performances, and during the constructors' tests this week one of them dived at a speed of 384 miles an hour, and climbed to 6,000 metres in 542 seconds.

Captain Staniland, the chief test pilot of the Fairey Aviation Company, also conducted further successful tests yesterday of the long-distance Fairey Napier machine which will shortly be handed over to the Air Ministry.

This giant monoplane is built to carry more than 1,000 gallons of petrol in the wings, which have a span of 82 feet. It is hoped that, within the next few weeks, the new machine will attempt to break the world's long distance non-stop flight record of 4,912 miles—British Wireless Service.

LAND TAX.

Exemption of Playing Fields.

A CLIMB DOWN.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Government having decided to accept the Liberal Party's proposal for exemption of all playing fields from the land tax, when the exemption clause comes before the House of Commons this afternoon the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden, will move a Government amendment which embodies the Liberal proposals.

At to-night's session, the report stage of the Finance Bill, which embodies the land tax proposals, will be concluded, and the third reading of the Bill will be taken to-morrow—British Wireless Service.

GERMAN FLEET.

Visit of a British Admiral.

FIRST SINCE 1914.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Admiral Rushton leaves Stockholm to-day in command of the cruisers Dorsetshire and Norfolk on an unofficial visit to the German fleet at Kiel.

The informality of the visit is due to the desire on the part of both Governments to avoid unnecessary expense.

Admiral Rushton, who then had the rank of a Commander, was present as an executive officer of the light cruiser Southampton during the last visit of the British Navy to Kiel, in 1914, shortly before the outbreak of war—British Wireless Service.

GERMAN "RIPPER."

Duesseldorf, Yesterday.

Peter Kuerten, the self-confessed "Ripper" murderer, was guillotined here this morning—Reuter.

talised in thousands of Louis' sketches.

One of the sisters picked up a dozen or so of her brother's asylum pictures, and sighed, "Poor Louis—only his talent left!"

Louis fell off an omnibus in the early days of the war, and sustained concussion of the brain. This was the beginning of his misfortunes. Then he lost his savings in a company.

Misfortune followed misfortune with tragic swiftens. He always had his annual salary to rely on to replenish his dwindling income, but the war stopped the paper supply, and Louis Wain's annual ceased.

Collapse.

Finally his brain gave way, and for a whole week he never took off his clothes. He spent the whole of this time writing "rub-bish," as his sister told me. Then he could be restrained no longer, and he had to go to a mental home.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, before he became Prime Minister, interested himself in the unhappy plight of Louis Wain's three sisters. A fund was raised, and out of this the sisters received a small monthly allowance. The fund will be exhausted before the end of the year. Louis Wain's sisters do their own housework and washing. All they want is to keep the artist's home together during the remainder of his life. "How we are going to do this," do not know," said Miss Claire Wain's grief and sorrow are immen-

WIFE WHO WILL NOT RETURN HOME.

Can a Man Be Retried for Same Offence?

A MOOT POINT.

The question as to whether or not a person acquitted and discharged of an alleged offence by one magistrate could be recharged with a similar offence and tried before another magistrate, was a moot point before Mr. G. C. Dodd, the Singapore Criminal District Judge, when a Chinese woman charged her husband with failing to maintain her. The complainant, Lee Jee, who was described as a very poor woman, was represented by Mr. C. H. Withers Payne and the accused husband, Ang Tian-cho, was represented by Mr. A. V. L. Davies.

When the case was called, Mr. Davies said that he had a preliminary objection to make against the proceedings. Referring to the Criminal Procedure Code annotated by Mr. B. A. Mallal, Mr. Davies said that Ang Tian-cho, was tried before Mr. C. H. Whitton, the Singapore Fourth Police Magistrate, on May 14 on the charge of failing to maintain his wife and he was discharged, the magistrate holding that there were not sufficient grounds for a conviction on the uncorroborated evidence of the wife alone of cruelty and therefore the accused was entitled to an acquittal.

Cruelty Alleged.

In reply to his Honour, Mr. Davies said that in the previous case the wife had alleged that she was compelled to leave her husband's house owing to his cruelty and he had failed to maintain her since then.

Mr. Withers Payne held that the previous acquittal could not affect his case. It was a continuing offence and what he said was that an acquittal a month ago was no answer to the charge of not maintaining his wife now. The offence with which the accused was now charged was subsequent to his acquittal. Counsel said that on the facts as they are the accused had committed an offence.

Producing a copy of the information sworn by the wife and on which a summons was issued, Mr. Davies read the portion reading, "I am quite willing to return and live with my husband provided his mother, his sister and his second wife leave the house." Mr. Davies said that if she wanted to return to her husband he was quite willing to maintain her. "But this lady won't." She had not shown any reason why she should not return to her husband and live with him. In fact a room had been kept vacant for her in her husband's house and the room was still vacant.

"Assaulted in Offence."

"When a wife is forced to leave by cruelty she cannot be expected to go back," Mr. Withers Payne replied. "She has been to his office and she was assaulted." "If a wife can go to her husband's office she can very well go home," Mr. Davies remarked.

"I can get an appeal against the previous acquittal," Mr. Withers Payne informed.

"It is too late now," was Mr. Davies' reply.

Mr. Withers Payne said that the wife was a very poor woman and he could get an appeal by moving the Supreme Court.

Mr. Davies said that the correct procedure was to get an appeal, and since the wife was a poor woman he would not object to his learned friend's application for an extension of time.

His Honour adjourned the case which was put down for a fortnight for mention.

POISONED HOUNDS.

Police Inquiry into a Mystery of Strychnine.

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HIRED CAR PESTS.

Driving in the Middle of the Road.

BUS DRIVERS FINED.

The usual batch of traffic offenders was dealt with by Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning.

Summoned for dangerous driving, the Chinese driver of a public motor car was fined \$20. Traffic-Sergeant A. R. Brittain said that on June 22 last at 2 a.m. he was proceeding on his motor cycle in Des Voeux Road Central from east to west. When near Exchange Building he saw the defendant drive his car out of Pedder Street and go round the beacon between 25 and 30 miles an hour. Defendant narrowly missed running into Jardine's building.

In Middle of Road.
Prosecuting the Chinese driver of a lorry on a similar summons, Traffic-Inspector C. F. Alexander said that on June 21 last, the defendant drove a lorry down Stubbs Road, and went round a bend just below Magazine Gap at a speed of about 30 miles per hour. The lorry was practically in the middle of the road at the time. A fine of \$25 was imposed.

The Chinese drivers of two public vehicles were summoned for loitering. They pleaded guilty and were fined \$5 each.

Traffic-Sergeant B. G. Baker said that both cars were being driven along Des Voeux Road West at a very slow speed, and in fact they held up an ambulance. No vehicle could pass them, because they were in the middle of the traffic thoroughfare.

Lamps Broken.

A fine of \$10 was imposed on the Chinese driver of an Aberdeen motor bus for keeping the vehicle in a bad state. Sergeant Baker said that the bus, a Dennis, was very dirty and the two head lamps were smashed. There was a fire extinguisher, but it contained no acid, so that in the event of a fire it would be useless.

FIRING PRACTICE

To Be Carried Out Near

Chung Chau.

According to a notice to mariners posted at the Harbour Office, H.M.S. Seamew will carry out 3-inch full calibre firing south of Chung Chau Island to-morrow commencing at 9.30 a.m.

A tug with targets in tow will be in position one mile due south of Chung Chau Rock at 9.30, steering 180 degrees, and the firing ship will be to the eastward at a range of about 5,000 yards and will fire westward.

EARLY NEWSPAPER.

London Press Club's Exhibition.

TRIAL OF CHARLES I.

An exhibition from the London Press Club's fine collection of British newspapers of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries was opened recently by Lord Riddell, and attracted considerable attention. The collection, Mr. Andrew Stewart, the honorary librarian of the club, pointed out in his Foreword to the Catalogue, represents an effort to establish in Fleet Street a panorama of the growth of its staple product from Elizabethan to Georgian times.

One of its most interesting specimens is that of a copy, dated February, 1625, of the first newspaper printed in Great Britain, "The Continuation of our Weekly Newes." The publication actually began in 1622, and made its appearance spasmodically. This copy is No. 11. There is a first number of the "Mercurius Aulicus," the Royalist organ published on behalf of King Charles I. at Oxford. Little quarto news books of the same period contain details of the armies in the field, accounts of the battles of the Civil War, and reports of the proceedings in Parliament.

A later series of these news books, giving verbatim reports of the trial of Charles I., has been bound together and forms one of the greatest treasures in the collection. A most intimate account is given of the execution of the King:—

King (on the scaffold): I go from a corruptible to an incorruptible Crown; where no disturbance can be, no disturbance in the world.

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Execution of Charles I.

"The King," the report continues, "then said to the executioner, 'Is my hair well?' He then took off his cloak and his gurge, giving his gurge to Dr. Juxon, saying, 'Remember—(it is thought for to give it to the Prince). Then the King put off his doublet, and being in his wastecost put his cloak on again. Then looking down to the block he said to the executioner: 'You must set it fast.'"

Executioner: It is fast, sir.

King: It might have been a little higher.

Executioner: It can be no higher, sir.

King: When I put out my hands this way, then—

"After a very little pause the King stretched forth his hands and the executioner at one blow severed his head from his body."

Of the Restoration period there are good examples of "The Intelligence" and "The Newes," edited by Sir Roger L'Estrange, a great figure in journalism. There are several specimens of the first daily paper to be published regularly in this country, "The Daily Courant," which began in 1702, and the first evening paper, "The Evening Post." "The Observer" is represented by a copy of the issue for Sunday, April 27, 1823, and there are examples of the writings of Defoe, Johnson, Pope, and Cowper, the famous "Gull Letters," and the Letters of "Junius," as well as an early reprint of John Wilkes's "North Briton" with the offending No. 45.

Mr. Alfred Sell, head of the well-known firm of Sells Ltd., has just presented to the Press Club the "Henry Sell" Collection of historic

BEDLAM AT NEW ORLEANS.

Two Boa Constrictors The Cause.

Bedlam, personally directed by two boa constrictors from British Honduras, reigned in St. Charles Street for an hour the other night.

The snakes, brought to New Orleans to be presented to the city Zoo, broke out of their box in an hotel and descended upon the patio restaurant below. One, five and a half feet long, wrapped himself around a post in front of the cafe, while the other, a giant of 11 feet, made his way to the kitchen and coiled around a ventilator.

Employees and bystanders yelled lustily for policemen and firemen.

The call was answered but all found the problem somewhat out of their jurisdiction.

The owner of the truant reptiles arrived just in time to save his pets from being shot. He persuaded the smaller snake to give up its post in command of the restaurant door but he had to chloroform the larger boa to get it out of the kitchen.

AMBULANCE CORPS.

Governor and Motor Ambulance.

His Excellency has appointed Thursday, July 9, as the date on which he will inspect and receive on loan for the use of the Colony the new Motor Ambulance of St. John Ambulance Brigade, at Government House at 3.45 p.m.

At the same time His Excellency will present the awards received from Headquarters.

It is expected that there will be a representative gathering of Vice Patrons, Members of the Finance Committee, Staff Officers, Surgeons, and Divisional Officers.

FAIR TO SHOWERY.

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states:—

The position of the Northern depression is uncertain. It appears to be stationary over N. Korea.

The depression N.W. of Hanoi is stationary.

Forecast:—S. winds; moderate; fair to showery.

Rainfall.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.17 inch. Total since January 1—36.97 inches against an average of 40.42 inches—deficit 3.45 inches.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 8 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong	80
Macao	82
Pratas Island	83
Manila	79
Foochow	82
Amoy	83
Singapore	83
Cebu	87
Shanghai	81

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